

**Blessed
Carlo Acutis**

Rahan Parish
Fr. Michael 087-2900844
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Secretary 0579378181. Wed 9am-5pm
23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time 7th September 2025

Killina Sun 7th 10.30am Deceased of The Foran Family Cappaloughan

Tues 9th 7.30pm: Feast of Saint Ciaran of Clonmacnoise

Thurs 11th 7.30pm

Sun 14th 10.30am Johnny and Mollie Minnock John & Mary Minnock, Nuala, William and Peter Byrne and Deceased Relatives Derrycooley The Sherlock Family Killina

The Island

Sat 6th 6pm Bridget & Patrick Boland & Relatives The Rushes Castletown

Sat 13th Sept Mass at 2pm Farnavilla Cemetery Please bring Facilities for Cup of Tea

Sat 13th 6pm Lil Hickey m.m. John Maura & Peter Kinahan Deerpark

Mucklagh

Sat 6th 7.30pm Pat Mc Asey m.m. Mattie & Nora Smyth Charleville Rd

Sun 7th 9am: Intentions of Parishioners

Sun 7th 12noon For all who died recently

Mon 8th 7.30 pm Extea Mass The Birthday of Blessed Virgin Mary

Tues 9th 9am Extra Mass **Feast of Saint Ciaran of Clonmacnoise**

Wed 10th 7.30pm **Thurs 11th 9am** Lists of Dead

Fri 12th 7.30pm Peter and Philomena Hussey Dan Daly 5th Anniv, Mary Keyes

Sat 13th 7.30pm Elaine Healion m.m. Pauline Delaney Ross Road

Sun 14th 9am: Intentions of Parishioners

Sun 14th 12noon Ben Lawlor 1st Anniv. Agnes Brady, her husband Denis and son Din and Deceased Family members

Plate Collection Killina €275 **The Island** €240 **Mucklagh** €1,000

Development Fund Killina and The Island €556 **Mucklagh** €449

Pray for Liam Doolan Kilcormac Donal Walsh Daingean, brother of Tom St O Hara

National Ploughing Championships and Jubilee Year of Hope To coincide with the National Ploughing Championships and to coincide with the Jubilee Year of Hope in our churches we are inviting children and young people **1 To compose a poem**. There is much in common between Ploughing and Hope. The Hope is that the ploughed fields of Spring will produce a rich harvest in the Autumn. The poem can include words like plough, tilling, seeds, harvest, soil tractor, etc. All entries to be on an **A4 page** laminated if possible and typed or hand written. **And / Or 2. Draw a picture or make up a collage** to incorporate the Theme of Ploughing and Hope again on an A4 page and laminated. Entries with persons name and age below poem or picture /collage to be returned to child's /young persons school or parish office in Mucklagh by Wednesday 10th September at 6pm All entries will be displayed in our churches for Masses of Blessing for the Ploughing and Harvest Thanksgiving next weekend

Cemetery Dates **Farnavilla Cemetery** Saturday 13th Sept Mass at 2pm **Jesuits Rahan** Monday 15th Sept Mass at 7pm **Lynally Cemetery** Monday 22nd Sept. Mass at 7pm .

September Offerings are due this weekend, as always, if you are using an ordinary envelope please put your name and envelope number on it. Thank You

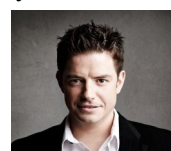
Altar Servers: We are at present recruiting Altar Servers for the coming year. Those who serve are taken from 3rd class upwards. Forms are being issued to both Killina and Mucklagh. If you do not attend either school and wish to serve contact Fr. Michael. Thanks to those who continue to serve from last year.

Chiropodist Mucklagh Community Centre on Wed 10th Sept from 10am App 086 228 2460,



Shamrock's Lotto 2,18, 27, 8 Next Jackpot €10,400 Match 3 €500
Mucklagh Community Center Lotto : 4, 18, 22, 24

Carlo Acutis, our Millennial Saint showed us that holiness and even sainthood are possible for teenagers and young people today, in the ordinary circumstances of everyday life. Saints can wear Nike and jeans, play computer games and surf the net too! **Novena Prayer** Oh God, Our Father, thank you for giving us Carlo, a life example for the young and a message of love for everyone. You made him become enamoured with Your Son Jesus, Making of the Eucharist his Highway to Heaven" You gave him Mary, as a most loving Mother, and, with the Rosary, you made him a poet of her tenderness. Receive his prayer for us. Above all, gaze upon the poor, whom he loved and helped. Grant for me too, by his intercession, the grace that I need and make our joy fulfilled, placing Carlo among the Saints of your Church, so that his smile may shine again for us in the glory of your name. Amen (" Our Father" Hail Mary" Glory to God



A Jubilee Year of Hope Fundraising Concert to raise funds for our 3 churches will be held in Mucklagh Church on Friday 7th November at 8pm .Simon Casey will be preceded by the Offaly County Council Choir. **Funds raised** will go towards a new heating system for the Island Church, the continued development of both Mucklagh and Killina churches and the development of a New Parish Office in the Garage at Mucklagh Parochial

House Tickets €20 now on sale. **Donations of Sponsorship** towards Concert of €500 (**Main Sponsors**) or €50 or €100 from households, businesses individuals and families welcome. **Donation Envelopes available in all of our churches**



Thanksgiving for Harvest: At all Masses next weekend we will be giving thanks for the Gift of Harvest - The Fruits of the Earth. We ask that farmers and those with gardens to bring products to our churches next Friday between 1-2 p.m. to form part of a display. All/some of the products will be made available afterwards to St.

Vincent de Paul Society who will distribute them to those who need it. **Salut** will also be blessed for those who wish to bless their lands and gardens with it

Season of Creation Prayer Creator of all, we praise you for the gift of life and for the faith that unites us in care for our common home. We confess how estranged we have become from one another, from your Creation, and from our true selves. We acknowledge that our greed and destructive impulses have fractured our relationships with you, with others, and with the Earth. Fertile fields have become barren, forests lie desolate, oceans and rivers are polluted. Thriving communities have become places of suffering, & the earth cries out.

The Gospel focuses on the demanding yet ultimately rewarding cost of discipleship, emphasizing radical commitment to God that prioritizes Him above family possessions, and even one's own life. The Gospel from Luke uses the examples of building a tower and waging war to illustrate that true followers must calculate the cost of discipleship and be prepared to bear their cross and detach from earthly attachments. The readings call for a "rival love" for Christ that surpasses all other loves, inviting listeners to a profound inner conversion and unwavering loyalty to God's kingdom.

A Blessing of schoolbags will take place at all Masses in our Parish Churches this weekend 6th /7th Sept .:We ask all pupils in Secondary and Primary schools to bring their schoolbag to masses this weekend and place it before the altar in our parish churches before Mass as we ask God's Blessing on all pupils, their learning and on all school activities for the Year ahead **Prayer of Blessing** Lord, we thank you for your goodness to all your children. Be with these children throughout this new school year. May your blessing be upon these schoolbags, which the children will carry to and from school each day. Watch over the children in their coming and their going; keep them safe always; help them to be kind; bless their learning and their play. Enfold them at all times in your love. Amen